

REMARKS

Amendments

Amendments to the Claims

Applicant has amended the claims to more particularly point out what Applicant regards as the invention. In particular, Applicant claims creating a synthetic scene that is a three dimensional computer graphic representation of an event. No new matter has been added as a result of these amendments.

Rejections

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)

Claims 1-34

Claims 1-34 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Jutzi, U.S. Patent Publication No. 2001/000375 A1. Applicant does not admit that Jutzi is prior art and reserves the right to swear behind the reference at a later date. Nonetheless, Applicant respectfully submits that Jutzi does not disclose each and every element of the invention as claimed in claims 1-34.

Jutzi discloses capturing telemetry data from a race car event and utilizing this data in a gaming application. The application displays a simulated version of the event based on the telemetry data. For example, the application generates a virtual camera that follows a simulated car using the telemetry data. In addition, the application allows a user to compete against other real participants in the event by rendering a virtual car controlled by the user against an actual audio-visual backdrop of the racing event.

With regard to claims 1-34, Applicant claims creating a synthetic scene that is a three dimensional computer graphic representation of an event. The Examiner states Jutzi's gaming application creates a synthetic scene by generating a virtual camera that follows a simulated car in accordance with the telemetry data. Furthermore, Jutzi discloses creating a scene composed of a rendered virtual car against an actual audio-visual backdrop of a racing event. However, neither of these aspects of Jutzi teach nor

suggest creating a synthetic scene that is a three dimensional computer graphic representation of an event, as claimed. Accordingly, Jutzi cannot be properly interpreted as disclosing the claimed element in claims 1-34. Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that the invention as claimed in claims 1-34 is not anticipated by Jutzi under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) and respectfully requests the withdrawal of the rejection of the claims.

SUMMARY

Claims 1-34 are currently pending. In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application and allowance of the pending claims.

If the Examiner determines the prompt allowance of these claims could be facilitated by a telephone conference, the Examiner is invited to contact Sue Holloway at (408) 720-8300.

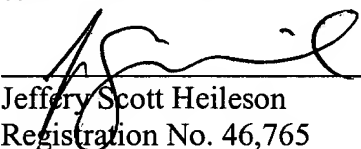
Deposit Account Authorization

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any charges that may be due. Furthermore, if an extension is required, then Applicant hereby requests such extension.

Respectfully submitted,

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